

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Thursday, March 27, 2014

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Montgomery, Commissioner Callisto and Commissioner Nowak.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meeting of Friday, March 21, 2014.

137-CE-172 - Application of American Transmission Company LLC to Rebuild a 24.7 Mile 69 kV Line between the Dyckesville Substation in Brown County and the Sawyer Substation in Door County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4220-SB-133 - Application of Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin for Authority to Amend and Extend the Authorization Period for its Currently Authorized Credit Facility

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3280-CW-115 - Application of Madison Water Utility, Dane County, Wisconsin, for Well No. 7 Building Reconstruction, and Addition of a 500,000 Gallon Reservoir, Booster Pumps, and a Filtration System to Remove Iron and Manganese

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5010-CW-106 - Application of the City of Rhinelander Water Utility, Oneida County, Wisconsin, to Construct Well No. 8

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-ES-107 - Strategic Energy Assessment for the Years January 1, 2014, Through December 31, 2020

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

750-WR-103 - Application of the Village of Brokaw Water Utility, Marathon County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

The Commission directed that this matter be returned to the Commission for final review and decision.

900-WR-106 - Application of the Village of Caledonia Water Utility, Racine County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3720-WR-108 - Application of Milwaukee Water Works, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

The Commission directed that this matter be returned to the Commission for final review and decision. As part of the proceedings, the Commission directed that the progress of Milwaukee Water Works' (MWW) water main upgrades be evaluated, and that consideration be given to an economic development rate or other alternatives to increase MWW's rate base.

4220-GF-115 – Application of Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin for a Gas Risk Management Program

The Commission approved the updated risk management plan filed on behalf of Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin (NSPW) for its natural gas utility through March 31, 2015.

The Commission further required NSPW to continue to abide by the conditions set forth in the Final Decision in this docket, mailed on July 2, 2009.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the litigation matters noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

Commissioner Callisto moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the litigation matters listed below. Commissioner Nowak seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session.

FERC Docket ER14-1242-000 – Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., System Support Resources Agreement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company

FERC Docket ER14-1243-000 – Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Allocation of SSR Costs Associated with the Presque Isle Units 5-9, MISO Rate Schedule

Status Update by Legal Counsel and Other Related Administrative Matters

The Commission approved the filing of a Federal Power Act Section 206 complaint with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) against the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., in regard to the System Support Resource costs associated with the Presque Isle Units 5-9, consistent with its discussion.

The Commission delegated authority to the Chief Legal Counsel to review and approve the final pleadings prior to filing.

FERC Docket RD14-6-000 – Reliability Standards for Physical Security Measures

The Commission directed Commission staff to file a “doc-less” intervention with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in FERC Docket No. RD14-6-000, consistent with its discussion.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission